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AEK to follow

Partizan

A visit by AEK Athens, the club of Mimi Domazos, will follow Partizan Belgrade's tour which starts in Melbourne on Sunday.

The outlay on AEK's tour will be \$120,000 for fares, match fees and other expenses — \$10,000 more than the cost of Olympiakos' tour late last year.

AEK is the champion of Greece. It finished level on points with Olympiakos but Olympiakos refused to play a deciding match in protest against the refereeing of its game against Orfi, which ended in a 3-3 draw.

It is AEK's second successive league title. The club won the Cup as well last year.

Domazos and his men will play three games in Australia. They are:

Sunday, August 12: Australian X1 in Sydney.

Wednesday, August 15: v South Australia in Adelaide.

Sunday, August 19: v Victoria in Melbourne.

Mr Arch Tambakis, of the Adelaide-based company handling promotion of the tour, said this week he would approach major companies about sponsorship deals.

AEK's strongest line-up is: Tergioudas — Mousouris, Ravousis, Nicolaou, Ardigoglou — Nikoloudis, Domazos, Tsamis — Mavros, Bajevic, Tasos. This is the team that lost 1-3 to Panionios in the 1979 Greek Cup final.



Mavros



Domazos

Other notable AEK players are goalkeeper Christidis and Intzoglou.

Christidis and centre back Ravousis were in the Greek national team that played three games against Australia last year.

The great Domazos played for Greece in its 1-3 loss to Australia in Athens in 1970 and toured as a guest with Atromitos in 1976.

At 38, he is the all-time great of Greek soccer. Until 1977 he played in 49 internationals. Only club mate Mimi Papaiouannou played more often for Greece (61).

Domazos spent 19 years with Panathinaikos before transferring to AEK for the 1979 season for the bargain price of about \$50,000.

During his long career he

has played under some of the world's greatest coaches, including Bela Guttmann (Hungary), Stefan Bobek (Yugoslavia), Ferenc Puskas (Hungary) and Kaz Gorski (Poland).

AEK's central striker is the great Dusan Bajevic who played for Yugoslavia in the 1974 World Cup finals. He is often described as the finest player in Greece.

Utility man Chris Ardigoglou is another outstanding player in the AEK team but the man of the moment is striker Thomas Mavros.

He was to score of the Greek championship with 31 goals, and is also the most consistent scorer in the national team.

AEK has won the Greek Cup seven times



New Zealand's Adrian Elrick (left) gets the ball ahead of Australia's Mark Jankovic during the international at Newmarket Park, Auckland, last Wednesday. Tom Anderson's report on Australia's 0-1 loss is on page 5.

And APIA's off to Italy

APIA-Leichhardt will play at least three matches in Italy in December.

As Roma, Napoli and Fiorentina have confirmed, they will play against APIA.

Catanzaro may also meet the tourists.

APIA director Frank Avati has arranged the tour through an agent in Italy.

APIA will leave probably on December 1 and the first match has been set tentatively for December 4.

A party of 20, including at least 15 players, will make the tour.

APIA's Italian opponents will pay enough at least to

meet the Australians' costs.

APIA coach Ray Richards said this week: "All we are waiting on is confirmation of our departure date and the availability of any APIA players who may be required for the national squad.

"However, the tourists should have completed their 1979 programme by the time of the tour."

Richards said, according to APIA's Italian star Rosario Rampanti, the crowd in Naples will be as high as 40,000.

"Rampanti is confident that we can perform creditably on the tour," Richards said.

"Italian football is played at a comparatively leisurely pace and I think we'll be able to handle it."

"There should be a high level of interest in the

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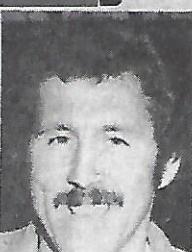
tour, as many of the fans over there will remember the Australians for their good performances in the 1974 World Cup."

Richards said there was no chance he would make a "guest appearance" for APIA during the tour.

"I might come on just to take a couple of throw-ins," he joked.

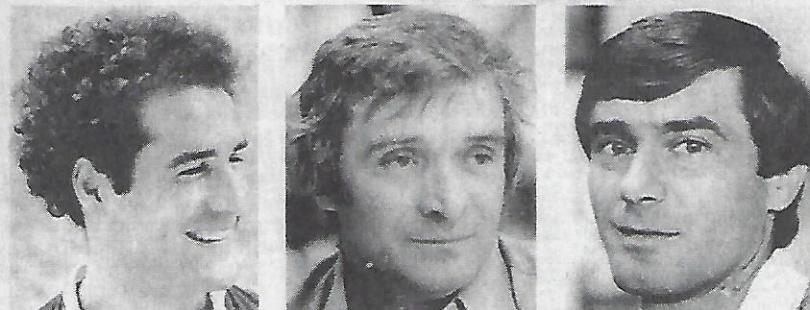
Richards was renowned during his international career for his powerful throw.

Laurie Schwab



Ray Richards

THEY'RE PLOTTING OUR DEFEAT



These three men pose the greatest danger to Australia, Victoria and South Australia — Partizan's three opponents during the Yugoslav's Australian tour which starts with a match against Victoria at Olympic Park, on Sunday. They are, from left: Partizan captain Nenad Stojkovic, coach Soskic who kept goal for Yugoslavia in the 1962 World Cup finals, and striker Slobodan Santrac. More on pages 8 & 9.

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Poulakakis: hecklers caused Cole slump

Heckling from disgruntled supporters has caused the dramatic slump in the form of Socceroo striker Gary Cole, according to new Heidelberg Utd. coach Manny Poulakakis.

Poulakakis said Cole had suffered at the hands of a boisterous section of Heidelberg's support, and his game has been affected by the group's "stirring."

"I've told Gary to relax and ignore the crowd because it will ruin his career. If he doesn't, said Manny, "but he made the mistake of getting involved and answering back."

"Now when he plays in Melbourne he has this in the back of his mind. He's often more worried about making mistakes than concentrating on the match. If things don't go right for Cole and the crowds get on his back, he'll stop

giving 100% to get back at the crowd."

Poulakakis said he's talked at length with Cole, but the big blond forward doesn't agree he's worrying about the crowd.

"I can see it is worrying him," said Manny. "I tell all my players it's not the spectators who play the game, and that the crowd should be ignored."

"However, if a player gives 100% in every game, the supporters will get behind him. Only fools don't appreciate a player who's giving his all."

Poulakakis' comments on Cole give a good insight to his attitude to coaching. He believes the psychological side of soccer is important and so he concentrates on working on the mental preparation of the players.

His first move was to alter the training schedule from three to two nights.

"These players have had a hard pre-season training programme," he said, "and their fitness is not in question. Training only two nights will freshen the players up mentally and they will be eager to play."

"We will achieve just as much in two nights of training because the players will look forward to training. Training three or four nights a week is too much for part-time players."

With Jim Tansey, Poulakakis went one step further and gave the State team defender a week off training.

"Tansey is stale at present,

By
KYLE
PATTERSON



Manny Poulakakis.

"The system is unfair," said Manny, "the other teams pay the penalty if one team plays badly. In many cases, a 5-0 result comes because of the losing team's bad form, not the winner's good form."

"As a result, the system favours teams lucky enough to meet a team which has an off day. It doesn't encourage consistency, which is the quality that normally wins league championships."

However, Manny admitted Heidelberg's chances of closing the gap on the leading teams would be decided on the team's ability to pick up bonus points.

On top of goalscoring, Poulakakis defended his action of leaving State striker Jamie Paton on the bench for his early games with the club.

Paton scored two goals when he came into the game as a substitute because I used him as a "shock" weapon," said Manny.

"Defenders are quick at spotting the strengths and weaknesses of forwards. With Branko Buljevic and Cole, the defenders know them well, but Paton is new to them, and when he comes into the game as a fresh player, he creates new problems."

It's likely that Paton will become a member of the opening eleven in the future.

The temporary displacement of Cole is only one move hinted at by Poulakakis. Don't be surprised if Pat Bannon moves into the centre of the defence.

"The combination of John Vzendoorn and Bob Provan lacks something," said Manny. "Central defenders should work closely; covering each other and talking all the time, but these qualities aren't evident."



Jamie Paton (left) streaks past Sydney City's Mark Treter.

47 games, 41 goals

Jamie Paton, the Heidelberg striker bought recently from Slavia, scored 41 goals in the 47 games he played in Australia up to last weekend.

Paton, who switched to Heidelberg along with sweeper John Vzendoorn in a \$20,000 deal, played for Scottish Second Division club Queen's Park.

If he maintains the form he showed in the State League, he will become one of the most prolific scorers in the PSL.

He is the longest run without a goal in Australia to have five games.

All his goals are listed here.

1978 February

AMPOL CUP v. Ringwood City 2-1. Scored one goal.

March

v. Sunshine 3-5. Did not score.

DOCKERTY CUP v. Western Suburbs 1-4. Nil.

April

STATE LEAGUE v. Juventus 1-1. Nil.

v. GG-Ajax 1-1. One goal.

v. George Cross 1-2. One goal (pen).

May

v. Hakoah 1-1. Nil.

v. Croatia 0-4. Nil.

PHILIPS CUP v. Heidelberg 3-6. One goal.

STATE LEAGUE v. Altona 2-0. One goal.

June

v. Sunshine 1-1. One goal.

v. Ringwood C. 1-2. Nil.

v. Albion 4-1. One goal.

v. Frankston 1-0. Nil.

v. Juventus 2-1. One goal.

v. Ringwood C. 2-0. Two goals.

v. Sunshine 0-1. Nil.

STATE GAME v. Norwich City 2-4. Nil.

PHILIPS CUP for Dockerty v. Frankston 0-2. Nil.

PHILIPS LEAGUE v. Brisbane Lions 3-1. One goal.

v. Sydney City 2-2. One goal.

to experiment with players, not during a championship, but that's what I'm forced to do. I've got to take risks that will be costly if they don't come off."

McLachlan said his first experiment was to move Peter O'Leary to defensive midfield.

"The way it turned out," he said, "I couldn't have been shrewder. Peter was great against Asia."

Another time restriction on McLachlan the transfer deadline.

"The club has said I can go out and buy players, but there are few players available who are better than those we've already got. I'd like to sign a couple of players, but only if they'll fit into our style. With so little time, it will be hard to find these players."

Asked to make a prediction on Footscray's immediate future, McLachlan said: "All I can say is that we're shaping to become a better team. The discipline is good, and the players want to work. The other ingredient — skill — has always been at Footscray. If I can give the players confidence to use their skills, the team must improve." — KYLE PATTERSON

McLACHLAN: SO LITTLE TIME

The combination of a Scotsman with a group of Yugoslavs, many of whom can't speak English, may seem an unlikely one.

However, this formula could well put an end to the troubles of success-starved Footscray JUST.

The Scotsman in question is Bobby McLachlan, who has the task of transforming a bunch of skilful ball players into a fighting, winning team.

This is far from a minor task, but Bobby faces an additional problem as Jovicic, Ljubic, Ristic, Hazebet, Jovanovic, Todorovic and Vasic, have yet to master English.

However, the problem, said Bobby, is not too difficult to overcome.

"Soccer coaching involves many gestures and facial expressions which can get a clear message through to the players," he said. "In the international game some gestures would be interpreted anywhere in the world."

"If I want to get a special message to one of the players who can't understand me, I have Milevko Ruzmir and Mendo Ristovski to act as interpreters."

Language should not affect McLachlan's ability as a motivator. His reputation as a motivator and disciplinarian were probably the qualities which won him the post at Footscray.

McLachlan agrees this is his main task.

"It's my job to motivate individuals so they will give maximum effort on the field," he said. "I



Bobby McLachlan and three of the Australian Schoolboys players he coached on their 1978 tour of North America. From left: Charlie Yankos, Tom O'Halloran, McLachlan, Eddie Krone.

must extract this effort from the players so that their ability will be used to the fullest extent.

"With the players at Footscray there is no doubt about talent. There are plenty of exceptional individuals, and only confidence is lacking."

"By making these players put in the effort, and giving them confidence, they will start playing the way everyone knows they can."

McLachlan said many friends had warned him against taking the position, saying the Footscray players didn't have any fight, and would throw in the towel.

"Fighting spirit is not normally associated with Footscray, but after our display against APIA in my first match as coach, all doubts have been dispelled," said Bobby proudly.

McLachlan added the new-found spirit has been evident at training.

"I want to develop team spirit at training," said Bobby. "Training is hard, but enjoyable. The players are moulding together and working hard as a unit."

The most pleasing thing is the way I've been accepted. Being ac-

cepted is the first and major hurdle for a coach."

McLachlan said he was also extremely happy with his relationship with the administration.

"The committee has done everything to make me feel at home," said Bobby.

However, McLachlan does have regrets about the timing of his appointment as coach of Footscray.

"It's heart breaking to try to build something with so little time. I wish I had been appointed at the start of the season so I could have planned for that season instead of one week at a time."

"The pre-season is the time

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Buljevic: a giant out in the cold

By KYLE PATTERSON

Branko Buljevic is possibly the best forward in Australia, but he will not play again in the national team and is unlikely to represent Victoria.

Buljevic is as fit and as fast as ever and is playing with the same brilliance that made him a Socceroo regular, but these things don't matter anymore.

Even if Branko lets it be known he'd love to play for Australia again, the situation will not change.

Buljevic, 31, has been given soccer's kiss of death - he's 'too old.'

The Heidelberg Utd. striker's illustrious representative career was over before it began, a few months ago when national co-promo Rudi Gutendorf said Branko was too old to figure in the future plans of the Socceroos.

Buljevic accepted the verdict without a murmur because he's been through it all before. He'd had a fair run, so he couldn't complain.

But this week he was puzzled by the appearance of Col Curran, 32, and Peter Wilson, 30, in the Australian team which went down to New Zealand in midweek.

The disappointed and disillusioned Buljevic had to console

himself with the knowledge that he was best player in the match between Heidelberg Utd. and Sydney City.

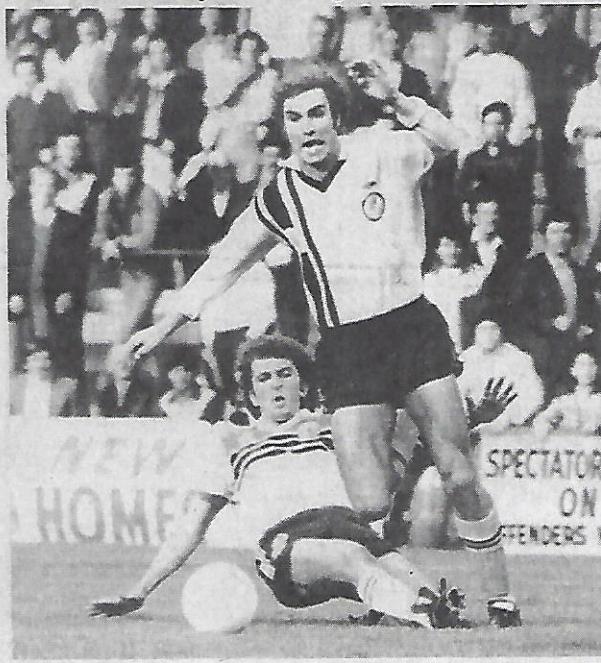
"Naturally I'm disappointed," said Branko, "because I'm playing just as well as I always have. I'm not saying I should be automatically the best, but at least I should be given a chance."

"Age was never a problem for national team players in Australia until I was overlooked a couple of years ago. Then all of a sudden age made all the difference."

"I can't explain why I was not given a chance. It's hard to understand, and very disappointing."

"Age means nothing to me at present. I'm running more than ever and enjoying my soccer. I have no injury problems and so I'm frustrated when people look at my age and consider me old."

Buljevic's disappointments with national selection have mounted



MIKE JOHNSON

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ADELAIDE CITY — Marshall 8, Russell 7, Besir 8, Nyskohus 8, Dodds 8, Perin 7, Muniz 9, Villani 8, Northcote 8, J. Nyskohus 8, Kent 9.

ST GEORGE 2 OLYMPIC 0. Ratings by Mike Johnson.

ST GEORGE — Fraser 6, Utješenovic 8, Harris 8, R. O'Shea 7, Delta Picca 8, Grav 7, J. O'Shea 7, Kay 7 (67 mins Grosse), Cotton 9, Katholos 6 (69 mins Morgan), Mihajlović 6.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC — Meier 7, McIntosh 7, Rowden 7, Bell 7, Cross 5, Laing 6 (37 mins Ainslie), Raskopoulos 6, Wilson 6, Eaton 5, Scott 5 (67 mins Poulos), Jennings 7.

WEST ADELAIDE 2 BRISBANE CITY 1. Ratings by Mono Toutsidis.

WEST ADELAIDE — Crook 8, Tymczyszyn 7, Reynolds 7, Kambas 8, Jones 7, Bozanic 7, Boyle 7, Kosmina 8, Norris 7, Honeyman 6, McGregor 6 (Zervas sent off).

BRISBANE CITY — Wishart 7, Tokesi 7, Perry 7, Gaffney 8, Campbell 6, Fimbrell 7, Caldwell 6 (Connor), Kelsa 7, Coyne 7, Wilkinson 6, Potter 7.

SYDNEY CITY 2 CANBERRA 1. Ratings by Johnny Warren.

SYDNEY CITY — Clarke 7, Mullen 7 (Campbell 7), O'Connor 7, Trenter 7, Bruce 7, Stevenson 7, Sonness 7, Barnes 8, Silva 7 (Kershaw 7), Smith 7, Watson 7.

CANBERRA CITY — Hoszowski 9, Kawaleva 6, Brown 8, Moulis 7, Milovanovic 6, Cant 7, Calligan 7, davies 7, Farrell 7, Gruicic 5 (Fielding 5), Bryne 7.

FOOTSCRAY 2 NEWCASTLE KB UTD 0. Ratings by Laurie Schwab.

FOOTSCRAY — Potter 8 — Ristic 8, Jovicic 7, Kon-darios 9, Lujic 9 — Ilioski 7, Ollerton 8, Ruvic 6 — Palinkas 8, Pacione 6, Ristovski 6.

NEWCASTLE — Preston 7 — Willis 8, Drinkwater 8, Bertogna 8, Curran 7 — McClelland 5, Sneddon 6, Cowburn 5 — Keelan 7, Boden 6, Tredinnick 5.

MARCONI 0 HEIDELBERG 4. Ratings by Alex Vasic.

MARCONI — Maher 5 — Berry 6, Russell 6, Prskalo 7, Degney 6 — Henderson 6, Byrne 6, Lindsay 6 — Janovic 5, Krncvic 7, Sharne 5.

HEIDELBERG — Banovic 8 — Yzendoorn 8, Proven 9, Bannon 8, Tansey 8 — Campbell 8, Taylor 8, Rooney 9 — Bozikas 7 (Paton 8, 46th), Cole 9, Buljevic 9.

SOUTH MELBOURNE 1 APIA 2. Ratings by Laurie Schwab.

SOUTH MELBOURNE — Hansen 5 — Pye 8, Munro 6, Baxter 8, Davidson 9 — Lutton 6, Christopoulos 7, Wright 8 — Drakeford 6 (Cummings 66th), Evans 7, Campbell 8.

APIA — Woodhouse 9 — McGinn 8, Wilson 8, Dempsey 8, Pullen 7 — O'Donnell 6, Rampanti (Reed 6, 23rd. min), Carruthers 7, Stone 7 — Roberts 8, Butler 7.

Leading averages:
7.9 Pye (SM)
7.8 Muir (AC), Prskalo (Marc), S. O'Connor (SC), Crook (WA).

7.7 Potter, Perry, Tokesi (BC), Thomson (SC), Janovic (Marc), Hermiston (BL).

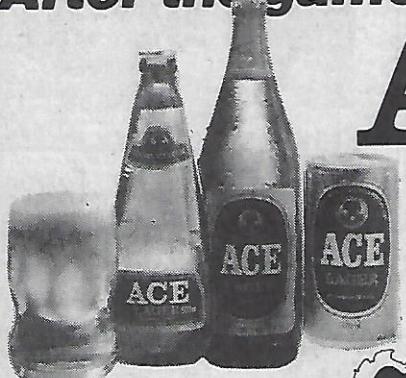
7.6 Stark, Davies (Can), Kondarios (Fooths), Krncvic, Sharne (Marc), Clarke (SC), Meier (SO).

7.5 Marshall (AC), Woodhouse, Turnbill, Rampanti (APIA), Gaffney, Wilkinson (BC), Rooney, Buljevic (H'berg), G. Byrne, Henderson (Marc), Davidson (SM), Watson (SC), Rukopoulos, Jennings (SO).

7.4 Ratcliffe (BC) Baxter (SM), P. O'Connor (St.G.), Bruce (SC).

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5. Eaton (SO), Barnes (SC), Sharne (Marc), Cole (H'berg).
4. Norris, Kosmina (WA), Heys (Newc), T. Byrne (Can), Kolso (BC), Evans (SM).
3. Pillans (WA), Stevenson (SC), P. O'Connor, J. O'Shea (St. G.), Byrne (Marc), Summerscales, Boden (Newc), Buljevic, Paton (H'berg), Ristovski (Foots), Gruljic (Can), Northcote, Villani (AC), Reed (APIA).

Rasic makes bid for leadership

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Weekend Philips League matches with likely winners in capitals:

IN NEWCASTLE

NEWCASTLE KB UTD v West Adelaide, International Sports Centre, Saturday 2.30 pm.

IN CANBERRA

CANBERRA CITY v St George, Bruce Stadium, Sunday 3 pm.

IN SYDNEY

APIA-LEICHARD v Brisbane City, Wentworth Park, Sunday 3 pm.

Sydney Olympic v South Melbourne (draw), Pratten Park, Sunday 3 pm.

IN BRISBANE

Brisbane Lions v MARCONI, Perry Park, Sunday 3 pm.

IN ADELAIDE

ADELAIDE CITY v Sydney City, Olympic Sports Field, Sunday, 3 pm.



Dixie Deans — he missed the 6-0 victory over Lions

season, Rasic had predicted Marconi would explode onto the PSL scene with a lot of noise.

To maintain its challenge to Marconi, Adelaide City must beat 1977 and 1978 two four winner Sydney City at the Olympic Sports Field on Sunday.

The Slackers have had the better of Adelaide City since the start of the PSL, winning 2-1 and 6-1 in 1977, and winning 1-0 and losing 1-2 in 1978.

Marconi, meanwhile, travels to Brisbane to take on the mangy Lions. Fans will be expecting Marconi to emulate Adelaide City's goal feast but coach Les Scheinfeld is shrewd enough to realise that any team will tighten up considerably after such a thrashing.

Nevertheless, Marconi should have no trouble winning especially since its players now have recovered from the strain of playing in Australia's 0-1 loss to New Zealand.

And, naturally, Scheinfeld will be looking for a bonus point despite the tighter defence which Lions will muster.

VIC TUTING, OBE

Mr Vic Tuting, senior vice-president of the Australian Soccer Federation, was awarded the Order of the British Empire (OBE) in the Queen's Birthday Honors, for service to soccer.

Mr Tuting, of Taroonga, Tasmania, has acted as ASF liaison officer with many touring teams and is one of the longest-serving soccer officials in Australia.

"Soccer Action" offers its congratulations.

Monaro saved, Avala fires

NSW State League

Monaro's 71st minute substitute Ian Heywood showed dazzling form against Croatia in Canberra, giving his side the two second half goals that earned it a deserved 2-2 draw.

Heywood scored within 60 seconds of coming onto the field as 2-0, and appeared to be the hard-fought game in the bag.

In the 34th minute, former English First Division player Bruce Arncliffe fired a goal-line clearance through a wall of players and passed Monaro's keeper Laurie Pali.

When after 11 minutes into the second half Monaro's full-back Aldo Charles put a back pass into his own net, it appeared all over.

But on came Canberra City cast off Ian Heywood in the 71st minute and his 72nd minute goal changed the complexion of the match.

Monaro scored its biggest win of the season in effortless fashion in a 5-0 win at Concord Oval.

Avala's astoundingly weak defence showed why the team is at the bottom of the table.

Leading 2-0 at half-time with goals by Brad Young and Alan Griffiths, Avala took advantage of the weak opposition.

They then continued their domination in the second half with Young and Bruno Kodar quickly taking the score to 4-0 by the 54th minute.

Yugals frustration became obvious in the final 15 minutes when Derek Peplar and Rob Duarte were sent off for sensless fouls.

2-0, Durić made the final score 5-0 when he beat Yugal's goalkeeper Peter Berry with a penalty goal in the 81st minute.

Monaro's Brian Parker made a triumphant return to the Melita line-up after a two-month lay-off through injury with a brilliant 30 minute goal to set the seal on the game against arch rival Toongabbie.

A cross ball from Steve Venables found its way into the corner of the net and Parker was the first to get to it.

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Bruce Waddell

**Kent, Villani cut loose****BRISBANE LIONS 0
ADELAIDE CITY 6**

Scorers: J. Nyskohus 45th and 50th, Villani 29th and 61st, Kent 72nd, Dodds 79th. Ground: Perry Park. Crowd: 1500. Weather: Fine. Referee: Wischus 6. Cautions: Brennan, Fairbrother (BL), Dodds (AC).

Adelaide City, capitalised on Brisbane Lions' most pathetic performance in the Philips League when they simply murdered the home side to register a crushing 6-0 win at Perry Park.

Apart from being Lions' biggest hiding since the PSL started, it was also City's first bonus scoring point this season.

Ironically, during the week, coach Ray Richards had told me he did not believe in the bonus system. He still may not but there's no doubt the extra point will prove valuable in City's title chase.

City played without goalscorer and Dixie Deans, who was on the bench, but it made no difference with Rasic's men never in danger after scoring their first goal in the 29th minute.

The loss certainly will have brought coach Matt Carson and new signing Ron Millman down to earth with a thud. After Carson had begun his new job the previous week with a good away win over Canberra City.

City did not have a weakness in any department. Their passing was crisp and accurate, they broke with monotonous regularity and their shooting power from all angles was a delight.

The complete lack of thought and confidence at the back in the Lions team was nothing short of amazing and there seemed to be no direction or purpose when they found themselves down 3-0.

Surely the options were to either to attack and whittle down the lead or defend grimly in the hope of holding the rampaging black and white striped shorts out. Lions chose to do neither.

City were always masters of the midfield, with young Charlie Villani proving again he is a star of the future and up front, John Nyskohus, Chris Kent and Brian Northcote ran riot, with John Peat and Aggie Muniz continually probing and pushing from behind.

Lions made a few openings in the first 20 minutes with the speed of Brennan and Millman and Jim Hermiston's crosses causing a few problems. But City goalkeeper Peter Marshall provided what could have been one of the turning points of the match when he brilliantly saved from Brennan in the 28th minute.

That was all City needed to open the floodgates. In the 29th minute, Col Bennett mistimed a backpass to Nigel Lowndes and the Lions keeper dashed to try to clear with his left boot.

But the ball went straight to Villani, who kept his cool and calmly chipped from well out into the vacant Lions goal.

Lions almost grabbed an equaliser seven minutes later when Hermiston poked a shot goalwards from a Leszlo corner, but John Bees cleared off the line.

Further damage was done in the last minute off the first half when John Nyskohus ran through the square Lions defence, charged away and drew Lowndes, rounded him easily and slotted home.

The landslide became 3-0 only five minutes after the interval when Kent shook off Graham Wilson on the right, cut in and shot. Lowndes failed to hold it and Nyskohus completed the easiest of jobs.

City did not have to wait long to score their bonus point — another 11 minutes in fact, when Northcote squared Kent with a beautiful pass. Kent streaked down the left, drew two Lions defenders and cut back to the unmarked Villani, who hammered in No. four.

Lions had a great chance to possibly erase the bonus point when Fairbrother nodded a cross down to Millman's feet but he blasted high over the bar with only Marshall to beat.

The scoreline began to take on a remarkable characterisation for Lions in the 72nd minute when Kent made another long run, completely unmarked, and thrashed a loft-footer past the helpless Lowndes.

The rout was completed 11 minutes from the end with left-back Glenn Dodds joining in the rout. Lions' defence again looked of schoolboy standard when

Laurie Schwab

**Evans needs a partner****ST MELBOURNE 1
APIA 2**

Scorers: St Melb: Lutton 38th, APIA: Butler 22nd, Pye own goal 85th. Ground: Middle Park. Crowd: About 12,000. Weather: fine. Referee: Don Campbell (SA) 7. Cautions: Cartwright, O'Donnell (APIA), Evans, Lutton (SM).

APIA caught South Melbourne with a late counter-attack to win this game with a Mike Pye own goal forced by Peter Stone, but I reckon even coach Ray Richards would concede that APIA could easily could have lost.

It was only some brilliant goalkeeping by Greg Woodhouse and grand defence by Jim Dempsey, Peter Wilson and Bob McGinn that kept South Melbourne out.

And Souths made it hard for themselves as well. Almost every attack was based on a cross to the head of Alan Evans who had Dempsey virtually glued to his back. Even when Evans did win the header, he did not have time to direct it.

Evans will continue to get this type of close attention, as the only way out is to stick a second striker up front to share the load. Duncan Cummings is the man for the job.

To do so, coach Duncan McKay would have to drop winger Ken Drakford. He would still have George Campbell to provide wing service on one side. Campbell is more productive, more direct and more dangerous than Drakford.

McLachlan also assigned Mirko Ruvic to mark Malcolm McClelland and told Joe Palinkas to beware of Col Curran's overlaps.

Throughout the match Footscray looked best when it rained down the flanks, through Zdravko Lujic on the left and Joe Palinkas on the right. Newcastle lacked drive on the flank.

In the final analysis, Newcastle lost not only because of Footscray's endeavours but also because of the many injuries in its own ranks.

Three players who would have made all the difference had they been available are dashing winger Graham Heys, midfield schemer Ian Seddon and centre back Bill Summerscales.

Without Seddon and with McClelland substituted by Ruvic, Newcastle was deprived of an effective midfield.

Heys' wing replacement, Peter Tredinnick could not cope with his opposite, Andrijica Ristic who had a great game.

Amato was a capable replacement for Summerscales in defence but Newcastle missed Summerscales' height and strength in set pieces up front.

Footscray's victory was made possible by the sound defending of Jim Kondorios and Andrijica Ristic. Peter Ollerens, excelling in his new midfield role, provided valuable support for the defence and also played penetrating long balls forward.

But it was midfield Zdravko Lujic, maintaining his newly-found midfield prowess, who put J.U.S.T. on the road to victory with a goal 10 minutes from the end — his fourth in as many weeks (counting Cup games).

Illoski scored only one goal last season when his play was more cautious and based heavily on defence. He still does the defensive work but now he's just as good at attack.

He took the goal well, deciding to go for it. Peter Ollerens, who was trying to meet him, then stepped around Preston before putting the ball into the empty net, to cap a move started by a cross from Ollerens.

APIA took the lead in the 22nd minute due to a defensive mistake by Frank Munro. He tried to steer the ball past goalkeeper John Hansen, but it stopped short, allowing Terry Butler to nip in and steer it low into the net.

In the 25th minute Woodhouse punched Drakford's cross virtually off Evans' head. Two minutes later Stuart Baxter rammed a Woodhouse clearance back towards goal but McGinn was on the line to clear. Then a powerful drive by George Christopoulos was turned for a corner.

A corner by Campbell was repelled by the APIA defence to Sammy Wright who shot well but Woodhouse came out to make the best save of the day, turning the ball over the bar.

South Melbourne drew level in the 38th minute. Davidson stormed forward down the left and chipped the ball square to Bertie Lutton who lashed it first-time into the net.

When Drakford lost the ball in the 65th minute, APIA struck swiftly in one of its dangerous counter-attacks. Roberts launched a shot which should have been easy for Hansen to save but instead Hansen dived too early and made a hash of it. Butler came in to put away the loose ball but Hansen managed to get a leg at the shot and deflect it over the top.

Cummings replaced Drakford a minute later as Davidson equalised from a cross by McClelland. Keelan managed a dangerous header at the far post but Peter divined brilliantly to hold it before it could be slotted home. Then Keelan got into the penalty area in a dangerous move but Tistic hooked the ball clear in his best form.

With time running out, Newcastle had two chances to equalise. From a cross by McClelland, Keelan managed a dangerous header at the far post but Peter divined brilliantly to hold it before it could be slotted home. Then Keelan got into the penalty area in a dangerous move but Tistic hooked the ball clear in his best form.

Joe Priciano notched J.U.S.T.'s second goal three minutes from the end. Cutting in from the left, he slipped past two defenders before placing the ball low into the far corner, past the groping goalkeeper.

Then came APIA's break-

Meno Toutsidis

**Illoski nets his fourth****FOOTSCRAY 2
NEWCASTLE 0**

Scorers: Illoski 80th, Pye own goal 85th. Ground: Olympic Park. Weather: Cold, with strong wind from goal to goal.

Crowd: About 12,000. Referee: Des Miles 7. Cautions: Curran (Newc), Ollerton (Footc).

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Footscray J.U.S.T. coach Bobby McLaughlin was happy with the two points but said his players were capable of much better things.

Only about six players carried us through the first half," he said.

That figure increased to eight or nine players after half-time. We played a lot better against APIA in Sydney and got nothing for it. If we can get back to that standard we'll start being more consistent," McLaughlin said he was pleased that the club had sent him to Newcastle to watch Ken play against St George the previous week. That game had given him an insight into how Newcastle plays and what its danger men are.

Naturally, McLaughlin instructed his defenders to pay special attention to Ken Bowen who was prominent only in patches. New striker Kevan Keelan who was top scorer in the English Cheshire League, posed greater danger around goal, particularly in the second half, when he bought one particularly fine save from Steve Tokes.

As immediately after the game Tokes clashed with a spectator who was quickly apprehended by police.

And on top of that there were many brutal tackles which culminated in Alex Zervas being sent off for allegedly striking Brisbane City keeper Kim Wishart.

City which needed to win to stay in touch with the leaders, made no secret of its intentions.

It tackled fiercely and committed several "professional" fouls.

Referee Graham Neale failed to reprimand the culprits (on both sides) early and as a result the match degenerated.

Zervas off, three hurt**WEST ADELAIDE 2
BRISBANE CITY 1**

Scorers: Kosmina (63), Kambas (82), Coyne (4). Ground: Olympic Park. Weather: Cold, with strong wind from goal to goal.

Crowd: 4362. Referee: Des Miles 7. Cautions: Kosmina, Honeyman (West), Pimbblett (Brisbane City).

Sent off: Alex Zervas (70). Ground: Hindmarsh Stadium.

Weather: Cold and windy. Crowd: 4500. Referee: Graham Neale 7. West Adelaide edges into bronze medal position.

In one of the most rugged PSL matches played in Adelaide three players needed treatment to severe head injuries and Alex Zervas was sent off for allegedly striking.

But that is only half the story.

There were several ugly incidents behind play which went undetected.

West defender Con Kambas was involved in two skirmishes while he was on the field. Peter Tokes clashed with John Kosmina after they collided in mid-air.

Surely the fixture could have been switched to the Queen's birthday holiday without much trouble.

Perhaps Heidelberg would have won even then, but at least it would have given Marconi a fighting chance.

As always, Marconi's players were weak, tired men, their condition affected by the travelling to and from New Zealand and their confidence punctured by Australia's 0-1 loss there.

Marconi was in with a chance during the first half, although it was Heidelberg that had the better scoring opportunities during this period.

Then Marconi's strength failed and Heidelberg took over completely with former Marconi captain Jimmy Rooney the best man on the field.

All the goals came during an incredible 11-minute blitz, the first two within the space of a minute.

Once again, Heidelberg coach Manny Poulakas inexplicably used ace striker Jamie Paton as a substitute. He was deadly when he came on in the 46th minute and he went on to score his third goal in as many matches, so surely he deserves to play a full match. Heidelberg is doing itself harm by limiting his time on the pitch.

Gary Cole was back in the form we expect of him.

Perhaps the article in "Soccer Action" last week spurred him into action. He is like a lion, or more accurately like a bulldozer. Anyone who challenged him simply bounced off his massive frame.

Branko Buljevic was also tremendous — the elegant artist that he always is in big games.

As a result of this defeat by Marconi, Heidelberg is threatening to repeat itself. It was Heidelberg that stopped Marconi's unbeaten run last year; remember and Marconi eventually finished fourth after seeming to have the title Crook.

West began to take control from the 15th minute and had Brisbane under considerable pressure.

Kosmina who was getting some rough treatment from Tokes, positioned himself well to head a cross from the right but Wishart handled it comfortably.

Two minutes later Kosmina was set to steer the ball past Wishart from a metre but a desperate lunge by Tokes thwarted the attempt.

West suffered their first blow in the 35th minute when David Jones left the field with a blood streaming from the side of his head.

He returned later with a bandage around his head.

Midway through the half Kambas clashed with Barry Kelso behind the play and also played the second half with a bandage around his head.

Brisbane, which had been preparing for a second-half fight-back from West, held their fairly well until the 63rd minute.

Peter Boyle broke away just inside the penalty area and floated the ball to Kosmina who squared a header past Wishart from five metres.

It was Kosmina's fourth goal in four matches and he is quickly running back to his best form.

He is not only scoring goals but also creating a lot of space on the forward line and continually dropping back when West is under pressure.

West suffered a major blow mid-way through the half when Zervas was sent off.

But he showed admirable fighting qualities and eventually wore down Brisbane's resistance.

It looked like the game was over but Marconi had punched out Norris' goal-bound header.

Con Kambas took the kick which Wishart saved.

But Neale ordered the kick to be retaken because Wishart moved before the ball was kicked and with his second attempt Kambas calmly slotted the ball

Alex Vesic

**This was an injustice!****MARCONI 0
HEIDELBERG 4**

Scorers: Yzendoorn 62nd, Paton 62nd, Colo 70th and 73rd.

Ground: Marconi Oval.

Crowd: 4362.

Weather: Fine.

Referee: Des Miles 7.

Caution: Rooney (H).

Without meaning to detract from Heidelberg's excellent performance, it must be said that this match should not have been played when it was.

The Marconi defence stands condemned by the very fact that it allowed the game to go ahead just four days after six Marconi players had been used in Australia's international match against New Zealand in Auckland.

Surely the fixture could have been switched to the Queen's birthday holiday without much trouble.

Perhaps Heidelberg would have won even then, but at least it would have given Marconi a fighting chance.

As always, Marconi's players were weak, tired men, their condition affected by the travelling to and from New Zealand and their confidence punctured by Australia's 0-1 loss there.

Marconi was in with a chance during the first half, although it was Heidelberg that had the better scoring opportunities during this period.

Then Marconi's strength failed and Heidelberg took over completely with former Marconi captain Jimmy Rooney the best man on the field.

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NZ LOSS NO CAUSE FOR DESPAIR

By TOM ANDERSON

Australia's 0-1 defeat by New Zealand at Newmarket Park, Auckland, last Wednesday night, may have been a blow to the pride of Australian soccer but it was by no means a setback on the road to the 1982 World Cup finals in Spain.

In fact this first win by the Kiwis over the Socceroos for 25 years could well be a blessing in disguise.

For it showed national coach Rudi Gutendorf the weaknesses in his squad and just where he has to start filling the gaps in his line-up.

After NSW's magnificent 4-1 win over North Sydney, everything on the national team front looked rosy and many people were led into the false hope that after only one outing, coach Gutendorf had found the perfect combination for his national squad.

Not even Marvo the Magician could have achieved such a result.

And the New Zealanders proved that these Socceroos are by no means the desired combination — yet.

In fact the Australian soccer public should be prepared for some more defeats before Gutendorf comes up with the answer.

For at this stage it is very much a case of if you can't beat 'em.

Last Wednesday's game in Auckland should never have taken place for the simple reason that the ground was in a terrible condition and by most standards unsuitable.

Gutendorf wanted the game postponed for 24 hours but the New Zealand hierarchy would not hear of it.

So it went ahead. The Kiwis handled the situation much better than the Australians and this was a deciding factor in the result.

However, this is not an excuse for Australia losing any team at international level should be able to handle any conditions that may present themselves.

Australia had seven relatively inexperienced players in its team, with an average age of 22.

NEW ZEALAND 1 (Ormond 58th) AUSTRALIA 0 at Newmarket Park, Auckland last Wednesday. Crowd about 4000.

AUSTRALIA — Woodhouse 8 — Curran 6, Wilson 8, O'Connor 8, Degney 6 (sub J. O'Shea (65th min)) — Henderson 7, Byrne 9, Jankovic 6 (sub Kosminski 7 (45th min)) — Sharne 6 (sub Muniz 60th), Krncic 8, Watson 9.

NEW ZEALAND — Wilson 9 — Sibley 7, Malcolmson 8, Almond 8, Eričić 6 — Cole 9, Summer 7, Turner 8 — Ormond 6 (sub Stamps 80th min), Neilson 7, Verweij 9.

Referee — Tom Delahunt 8.

New Zealand — heralded in the land of the long white cloud as 'Dads Army' had 10 imports in its line-up, with an average age of 30.

So the real difference between the two teams is that the young Australians are on the way up, and capable of improving around 40 per cent by the time the World Cup preliminary games come along in 1981.

New Zealand on the other hand, cannot play better than it did last Wednesday and by the time the 1981 preliminaries come along, many of these players will be spending their time in the old age pension queues!

The feature in the Australian team that stood out like a sore thumb was the lack of a midfield general.

There was just no-one in a green and gold jersey with the stamp of Jimmy Rooney, to control the proceedings.

Destitutively, Gary Byrne and Tony Henderson had fine games and look good, but they just did not have the time nor I think the will to take control and set up moves.

The other midfielder, Mark Jankovic, was quick on the break and indeed got himself into some fine scoring positions, but he cannot be described as a playmaker either.

Jankovic was replaced by Aenor Muniz in the second half and this did in fact help matters, as Muniz functioned quite well as a playmaker.

In goal, young Greg Woodhouse did not make a mistake. He is Australia's goalkeeper for the years to come.

Peter Wilson and Steve O'Connor also had solid games and Wilson played as well as ever he has done in the past.

At full back, Con Curran and Paul Degney did not have good

nights. They did not look like the attacking players they are in the Press.

However it must be said that the Newmarket ground does not suit overlapping defenders as it is narrow and has little space on the flanks.

It was a night when the New Zealand defence dominated. It gave little away.

However there were two magnificent scoring chances in the first half. Both fell to Mark Jankovic.

But it was one of those nights for the Marconi striker and he missed them both. They proved costly misses.

Jankovic needs a great deal of individual coaching to teach him to steady himself in front of goal and to slow away opportunities when they present themselves.

Joe Watson had a fine game and when he was given the service, he showed he has the skill and ability to shine at this level.

Big Eddie Krncic was once again a tireless worker and the player is going to be a key man in the 1981 World Cup preliminaries.

The mercurial Peter Sharne did not have the chance to shine and a bit of a tickle early in the game slowed him down.

John Kosminski played in the second half, but must have another run before judgement can be made about him.

New Zealand's winning goal came in the 58th minute when diminutive winger Duncan Ormond blasted the ball home following a mix-up in the Australian defence.

New Zealand may have won the first battle in the campaign that will end in Spain in 1982, but the war is far from over and the Australian blitzkrieg has not even started yet!

They were magnificent. The difference out there was that we



New Zealand goalkeeper Richard Wilson takes ball safely, supported by Sam Malcolmson (right). Steve Summer (7) and Peter Sharne (9) are also pictured.

Old Kiwis are region's best: coach

AUCKLAND — "We're the best in Oceania — as of now."

wanted to win and were prepared to work to win. By gosh they wanted to win.

They did that — and it was the blend of experience and youth that Adshard insists he wants that paved the way for victory.

Adshard's battle plan was to

subdue Australian flank men Peter Sharne and Joe Watson and to bog down Aussie midfield stars Mark Jankovic and Tom Henderson.

But New Zealand rose again as players most of them veterans in this sort of arena realised the game was there for the taking — NZPA

Williams wing wizard, Rooney turns striker

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Provisional League club Sunbury United was given a taste of the big time by the Victorian State team which agreed to play the first match under the new floodlights at Langama Reserve.

State coach Len McKendry used the match as preparation for Victoria's clash with Partizan Belgrade on Sunday.

Although Victoria should have scored more goals against the composite opposition, McKendry has many reasons to be pleased with the spar.

There was, for example, the dashing performance of Slavia winger Jim Williams who stood in for missing Tommy Cumming.

Williams, along with Jim Tansey and Jimmy Rooney, dominated the left flank down which Victoria launched most of its attacks.

Tansey's form was once again sound. Surely he deserves to be in

the national team. Col Curran can't stay there for the big games to come, so it would be sensible to shift Paul Degney to the right and slot Tansey in as left back.

Rooney made nonsense of recent claims that he is unadventurous and always stays behind the ball.

He became a fourth striker in the second half and scored two goals — the first after a weaving run along the line from the right corner, and the second an opportunist goal, finishing off a header by Carl Gilder.

Alan Davidson was again tremendous in midfield.

He has the vim and vigour of youth. With less haste and more thought, he would have scored two goals instead of blasting the ball towards the stars.

Joe Picioane, back in State colors after some time, had a disastrous start in which everything went wrong for him, but then went from strength to strength.

Picioane provides the surprise element in the team. He is the one who plays the unexpected pass, the one with the skill to wriggle through the tightest of situations, the one who gives the team a dimension it would not otherwise have.

Charlie Yankos, of Heidelberg's Second Division team, was used at right back in place of injured Steve Short. His support for men in front of him was excellent. At 18, Yankos can go a long way.

Steve Kokoska and John Yzen-

doon were safe and sound in defence, as usual and goalkeeper Peter Laumets was flawless the few times he was forced into action.

Up front, Gilder and Gary Cole found themselves almost over-worked by the volume of service from midfield but were foiled in the first half by Mick Borg's excellent goalkeeping, a few timely clearances by Alan Blakeley and some decisive tackles by George Train, the Altona star who was among the guests in Sunbury's team.

Other guest players were Willie Coulson (Frankston), Steve Carr (Ajax), Stuart Cannell and Nat Little (Altona).

Cannell presented problems to the Victorian defence in the first half and Cannell was excellent throughout the match, playing in midfield in the first half and at centre back after the break.

Cannell, a big, tough, determined player, joined Altona only a few weeks ago from English club Doncaster Rovers. He should be a big hit in the State League.

Here's how the game went: 15th min: A long ball finds Gilder who gets past Mick Borg to get into a danger and comes out to block Gilder.

17th: A short, hurried clearance by Yankos lands at the feet of Cannell. A goal seems certain but Cannell misses from 15 metres.

18th: Borg saves Sunbury

again by coming right to the corner of the penalty area to smother Williams' shot.

20th: Picioane runs a clearance back towards goal, past Mick Borg but Blakeley is there to head off the line.

25th: Cole jumps to slip a knee-high ball past Borg but it rolls wide of the post.

27th: A free kick by Cannell is made twice as dangerous by a deflection but Laumets stops it with an excellent save.

30th: Cole storms away on a through ball from Rooney — the type of ball the big striker thrives on. George Tansey runs him down and robs Cole with a clean tackle from behind.

35th: Referee Bob Henerson awards Victoria a penalty for handball and Cole scores from the spot: 1-0.

43rd: Rooney plays the ball forward and Frank Berens tries to turn it back to goalkeeper Borg. However, Gilder nips in, gets to it first and puts it in from close range: 2-0. Half time.

58th: Rooney takes the ball along the goal line, past Colin Haynes, steps wide to give himself a better angle and smashes the ball home low at the near post: 3-0.

60th: Williams sends over one of his many fine crosses and Gilder heads it down at the far post to Rooney, who taps it over the line: 4-0.

80th: Rooney cuts the ball back to Gilder whose shot hits the post.

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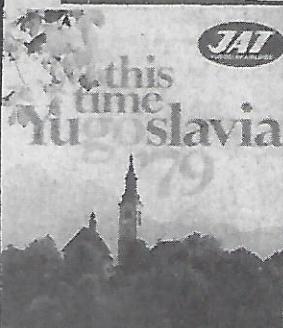
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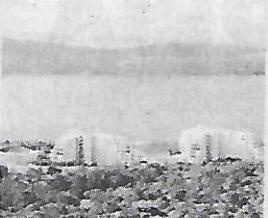
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Stojkovic leads Belgrade



Partisan captain Nenad Stojkovic finds space in the opponents goal area to score with a low shot. The game was played at Partisan's stadium in Belgrade. Stojkovic represented Yugoslavia 11 times.



Three of Partisan Belgrade's all-time great players - Zebec (left), Cakjovski (centre) and Bobek. Bobek toured Australia as coach of Vardar Skopje last year.

Guess mystery man and win a ticket!

If you can remember the player who scored Victoria's first goal against the touring Norwich City last month, you're in the running to win a free ticket to the Vics game against Partizan Belgrade this Sunday.

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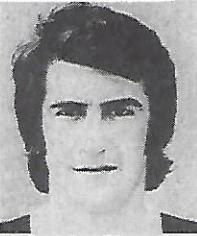
Melbourne and answering the question.

Some clues on the mystery player's identity - he's a midfielder and plays with Croydon City in the Victorian State League.

It's first in, first served, so if you know the answer find the "Newspress" counter on the third floor. The counter opens around 9 am.



Dzevad Prekazi



Borislav Djurovic

Meet the

Left midfielder. Established first team member, with over 134 appearances to his credit. Came to Partizan from Budućnost of Peć.

Nenad STOJKOVIC, team captain, born 1953. Stopper centre-half. Since 1977 has made the Yugoslav national centre-half position his own, being capped 24 times to date 1979 Yugoslav Player of the year.

Tomaslav KUNOVAC: Born 1954. Right midfielder. Another fine Partizan junior product who has already been capped at International "B" level.

Nikola KLINCARSKI: Born 1954. Right winger. One of the most experienced players in the club. At the age of 17 he was snapped up by Partizan after outstanding displays with Males. Has been a first team regular ever since, being capped at youth level, and seems certain to break into the senior Yugoslav national side soon.

Zvonko VARGA: Born 1960. Another rising midfielder star

Golden era saw three title wins

FK "Partizan" was founded on October 4, 1945 and is an integral part of the Yugoslav Sports Society "Partizan", which is the largest collective body in Yugoslavia. It is made up of 22 clubs with over 4,000 active sports people.

The soccer club "Partizan" was Yugoslav champion in 1946/47, 1948/49, 1960/61, 1961/62, 1962/63, 1964/65, 1975/76 and 1977/78.

The golden years of Partizan were 1960 to 1963 when it won the national championship three times running.

In 1950 Partizan won the Yugoslav Cup in 1947, 1952, 1954 and 1957.

Competing in the European Cup of 1965/66 it had wins over Nantes, Vardar, Sparta and Manchester, gaining a place in the final of the largest club competition where it lost the final 1-2 against Real Madrid.

On the international scene Partizan was a guest on every continent, competing with the most well-known clubs of South America, Europe, Asia and Africa, and reached the final of the Melgar Cup in 1963. Partizan defeated the Austrian team Rapid in 1949 2-1, Austria Wien 4-3, on a tour of Sweden in 1949 they defeated Norkriong 4-0, Goteborg 7-3, Malmoe and a representative team from North Sweden 2-1.

In 1953 Partizan defeated Panathinaikos in Athens 1-0, Olympiakos 3-1, representative team from the City of Cairo 4-1, representative team from Alexandria 4-1.

In 1954 they played in San Juan, Argentina, defeating Colo Colo 8-4 and Peñarol 1-1. That same year they played Honved Budapest in Belgrad 3-2, Reims 1-0 and Racing from Paris 1-0.

In 1960 on a tour of Israel Partizan beat Hapoel (Tel Aviv) 3-2 and Hapoel (Haifa) 5-2.

At an international competition in Casablanca in 1963 for the Muhammed V Cup they defeated Monaco 9-5 and Real from Saragos 4-2, winning first place and the following year gaining second place.

In 1971 at an international competition in Botos, Partizan had wins against Milionaires 2-1, Santa Fe 3-1 and Botafogo 1-0, thus gaining first place.

In 1972 at an international competition in Casablanca for the Muhammed V Cup, Partizan beat Setat 3-0 and lost to Bayern Munich 2-3.

In 1973 at a competition in Madrid, Partizan beat Atletico Madrid 1-0 and lost to Milan 1-2.

In 1975 at an international competition in Algiers Partizan beat Servette (Geneva) 3-1 and Almeria 5-1 to gain first place.

In 1976 at a competition in Spain Partizan beat Huelva 4-1 and drew with Atletico Madrid 1-1 (after penalties) to gain first place.

In 1978 at a competition in Split, Partizan beat Lozana 3-0 and drew with Hajduk to win first place. Partizan won the Middle European Cup for 1978, defeating Honved of Budapest 1-0.

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In 1983 at a competition in Belgrade, Partizan beat Maccabi Tel Aviv 2-1, and drew with Maccabi Haifa 1-1.

In 1984 at a competition in Belgrade, Partizan beat Maccabi Tel Aviv 2-1, and drew with Maccabi Haifa 1-1.

In 1985 at a competition in Belgrade, Partizan beat Maccabi Tel Aviv 2-1, and drew with Maccabi Haifa 1-1.

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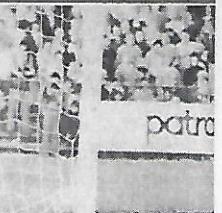
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In 1989 at a competition in Belgrade, Partizan beat Maccabi Tel Aviv 2-1, and drew with Maccabi Haifa 1-1.

In 1990 at a competition in Belgrade, Partizan beat Maccabi Tel Aviv 2-1, and drew with Maccabi Haifa 1-1.

New faces



West Adelaide goalkeeper by a low shot.

BULJEVIC LEADING

Appearances and goals for Victoria since the start of 1970.

APPEARANCES
22. Branko Buljevic (Foots & Hberg).

20. Jack Reilly (Juve, Hak & St. Melb, Hberg).

19. Billy Vojtek (Croatia, Juve, Ajax), Jimmy Mackay (Croatia, St. Melb, Hberg).

18. Mike Prie (Ring, 8th Melb) 17. Sandy Irwin (Juve, Fiston, Mo-Fo).

16. Frank Micic (Foots, 8th Melb).

15. Fabian Juhasz (Melb), Peter Bourne (8th Melb), Jim Tansey (Slavia & Hberg).

14. Jim Kondaros (Croatia, Austria, Foots), John Gardner (Geo Cross, St. Melb, Croatia).

9. Slobodan Zoraja (Foots), Marjan Lopatic (Foots & Fiston), Johnny Wallace (Mieb, Hak, & Croatia APIA).

8. Doug Utjenescovic (Foots, St. George, George Kinnell Cuve, Marconi, West Subs), Jock Goodwin (Slavia, Juve, Austral), Peter Oller-

ton (Ring, APIA, 8th Melb, Marconi, Foots).

7. Ian Marshall (8th Melb, Juve, Steve Walker (8th Melb, Juve),

SCORERS
6. Buljevic
4. Vojtek
3. Graham French (8th Melb, Hberg).

2. Mackay, Ulysses Kokkinos (8th Melb, Hberg, West Subs), Joe Tait (8th Melb, Hberg).

1. Gordon Mando, Ristovski (Foots), John Bernard (Sun, Mak, Geo Cross), John Howie (Slavia, Geo Cross), Jim Armstrong (8th Melb, Hak, Juve), Mike Micic (Altona Hak, Marconi, Hberg), Joe Cunningham (Geo Cross), Micky Rijevic (Foots), Irvine Marshall, Jim Smart (Lions, Geo Cross, D'ong), Utjenescovic, Zoraja, Wallace, Lopatic, Billy Rogers (Sun, Melb, Hak, PAIA, 8th Melb), Mike Clarey (Hak, Mbar), Dave Gorrie (8th Melb, Juve, Brighton), Bruce Roberts (Altona Hak), Dave Baker (Hak), Billy McLymont (Mak), Tommy Cumming (Sun, Croatia), Steve Short (Slavia, Croatia).



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who has been capped at youth level. Came to Partizan from Sarajevo.

Slobodan SANTRAC: Born 1947. Striker. Easily the most experienced player with Partizan. Started his career with Red Star, transferred to F.K. Belgrade in 1964, staying with that club until 1975. During his stay with F.K. he topped the First Division goalscorers no less than five times. His 215 goals (60 more than his nearest rival) stand as an all-time Yugoslav league record. In 1975, Santrac left Yugoslavia to play for two seasons for the famous razzhoppers club of Zurich in Switzerland. He was recalled by F.K. in 1977 and helped them to avoid relegation. In 1978 he joined Partizan and won a championship medal last season. One of Yugoslavia's all-time greats.

Andrej TODOROVIC: Born 1957. Left midfielder. Another off-product of Partizan's junior nursery, who has already been capped at youth level.

Dzvezdan PREKAZI: Born

n SA team



Martyn Crook is beaten

South Australia squad for tour against
Partizan in Australia is:

ADELAIDE: J. Russell, J. Nyskohus, B. e. P. Marshall.
WEST ADELAIDE: Crook, V. Beza-
yle, D. Jones, J.

POLONIA: H. H. Kolecki, P.

AZZURRI: B. Kowalski.

BEOGRAD: J.

CUMBERLAND:

M. CAMP: N. Z. Maric.

A. LION: S.

P. Nyskohus.



John Yzendoorn (left) surveys the scene with Jim Tansey in the Victorian defence.

Nikica Klinckarski, Alex Trifunovic, Zoran Nikitovic

1960. Left winger. Promising young player who came to Partizan from Trepcice of Kosovske. Capped for Yugoslav youth team.

Other Partizan players include: Hatinic, who is back

from Turkey. Zoran Nikitovic, Tomislav Kovacevic, Sead Music, Aca Trifunovic, Milovan Jovic, Zvonko Zivkovic, Miodrag Radovic, Stevo Tomasevic, Nebojsa Milicic, Gjoko Piljakovic, Slobodan Favovic.

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VICS LUCKY THIS TIME?

Short may miss Partizan clash

FK Partizan of Belgrade starts its Australian tour in Melbourne on Sunday, and Len McKendry's men are hoping it will be third time lucky.

This will be Victoria's third match under McKendry against overseas opposition.

The Vics came so close to victory in the other two matches — losing 0-1 to Wisla Krakow and 2-4 to Norwich City after leading by two goals.

In between, Victoria beat South Australia 2-0 in Adelaide. There are no changes to the Victorian squad that lost to Norwich.

However, defender Steve Short's availability depends on his recovery from recent injuries. The Victorian squad is:

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STEVE KOKOSKA, centre back, Essendon Croatia, bought from Sunshine City in 1977. Played for Australia against Greece last year. State appearances: 5.

JOHN YZENDOORN, sweeper, Heidelberg Utd., switched from Slavia together with State striker Jamie Paton recently. Played for Preston North End in England. Has had national team trials. State appearances: 3.

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Gary Cole (left) comes in for some close attention from Stuart Baxter of South Melbourne.

Croydon later the same year. State appearances: 5; goals: 2.

JIMMY ROONEY, midfielder, Heidelberg Utd., transferred for \$10,000 from Marconi late last year. Was Australian Player of the Year in 1977, the first season of the PSL. Played for Lions (Vic), Prague and APIA before joining Marconi. Was with Peterborough in England and Montrose in Scotland. Played 84 games for Australia, including 45 internationals. State appearances: 6.

JOHN GARDINER, mid-fielder, Essendon Croatia, played for George Cross for many years before joining Croatia which was then in the First Division. Had a stint with South Melbourne before returning to Croatia. Won the Victorian Rothmans Medal in



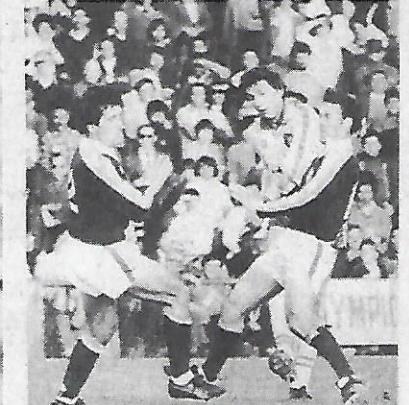
Alan Davidson

Len McKendry

Heidelberg Utd., switched from Slavia recently, has scored 41 goals in 47 games in Australia since arriving in early 1978 from Scottish club Queen's Park. State appearances: 3.

GARY COLE, striker, Heidelberg Utd., played for Australia against Greece last year. Was with South Yarra and Ringwood City before joining Heidelberg in 1976. Was PSL top scorer on aggregate at the end of the 1978 season. State appearances: 5.

CARL GILDER, striker, Essendon Croatia, switched from Slavia last year and has been one of the State League's top scorers since the start of the 1979 season. Played for Cambridge Utd. in



Jimmy Rooney (right) pressures Norwich City's Martin Peters, aided by Steve Short (left)

VICTORIA (likely line up)

Yakka 23. BANOVIC

Steve 2. SHORT	Steve 5. KOKOSKA	John 4. YZENDOORN	Jim 3. TANSEY
Alan 6. DAVIDSON	Joe 7. TRONT	Jimmy 8. ROONEY	
Tommy 11. CUMMING	Carl 9. GILDER	Jamie 14. PATON	
Reserves: 12 Jim Williams, 10 Joe Picioane, 13 John Gardner, 15 Gary Cole, 1 Peter Laumets			



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FRANKSTON 4
ALTONA 3

FRANKSTON CITY: Petersen - V. Bannon, McClusky, Adams, T. Young, G. Bannon, E. Bannon, Peters - B. Young, Swinscoe, Mitten.

ALTONA CITY: van der Poel - Lewis, Murray (sent off 76th), Gramberger, Hird, Banagan (N., Little), Canell, Whyte - Craw, Taylor, G. Train.

Frankston is undefeated in 10 games, a remarkable achievement considering Essendon Croatia's longest unbeaten run last season on the way to the championship was eight games.

Altona jumped Frankston with goals from Robin Crawford and Bob Taylor, while Frankston's lack of the squeeze of the Frankston defense. Altona played some good attacking soccer, and had several more good chances to score.

Tragedy struck when goalkeeper Hans van der Poel fumbled a corner and Martin Peters scored in the 35th minute.

However, after the enterprising first half, things turned sour for Altona. In the second half, referee Jim Dosen awarded two penalties. Frankston, both of which were converted by Eamon Bannon.

The first spot kick came when Peters was brought down, and the second when Peter Lewis sent Eamon Bannon flying.

Worse was to follow for Altona as defender Keith Murray was sent off for showing dissent. Down 2-3, Altona couldn't fight back.

Peters added a fourth goal, and Frankston was in command. Peters' vision and the dynamic play of Eamon Bannon gave Frankston the midfield.

Altona salvaged a late goal when substitute Nat Title rammed home a cut back by Taylor.

Carr to quit Ajax?

GEORGE CROSS 1
GREEN GULLY 1

Scorers: Bernard 87th, Carr 81st.

Ground: Olympic Park.

Referee: Mike Gart.

Caution: hooper, Castiello.

GEORGE CROSS: Mattson, Hooper, Castiello, Maitland, Barron, Bernard, Milford, Wilson, Thom, Cowans, Paparas.

GREEN GULLY: Denys, Donaldson, Cain, Klein (Patten 46th), Crilly, Vassallo, Thompson (Hogben 87th), Vojetz, Pavlekovic, Carr, Per-

(Injured): steve Carr salvaged a draw for Green Gully with some great close control late in the match.

Billy Vojetz started the move deep in the midfield, and in a long many run left three George Cross players behind him. Carr opened up to receive through ball and then in flash he went around Maitland and Mattson to plant the ball in the net.

SLAVIA 1 ALBION 3

Scorers: Albion - McNeil 5th, Wade 85th, D'Sylva 74th, Slavia - Griffiths 82nd. **Ground:** Showgrounds.

PRAHAN SLAVIA: McPherson - Thompson, Westerly, Lawson, Wade - Brindle, Kinner, Monaghan, Aldridge, Griffiths, Williams.

ALBION ROVERS: Johnson - McLeod, Nisbet, Blair, Thompson - Greechan, Wade - D'Sylva - McNeil, McCormack, Stewart.

Prahan Slavia will spar with Albion Rovers at Selwyn Park this Saturday in an attempt to rekindle the team's '71 success when the State League resumes.

The re-match was arranged by coaches Bill McArthur and Harry Chalkitis because of the break in the league programme due to the international between Victoria and Partizan Belgrade.

In the friendly, Slavia will experiment in attack to see if a goalscorer like Nisbet or Brian Monaghan going to come forward.

Slavia's lack of goalscoring, and Al-

Carr is one of two players who want to leave Green Gully. The other is veteran midfielder Ian McCarthy who walked out on the players' meeting with coach Billy Vojetz and president Guy Spiteri in midweek.

Carr claims there is a lack of team spirit in the side and has threatened to stay out of the game unless the club grant him a transfer.

Apart from these problems, Gully also started without John Patten who arrived during the first half due to car trouble.

Les Thompson was in the starting line-up for the first time this season but his lack of match fitness prevented him from finishing the game.

By contrast George Cross made no changes from the previous week available for selection after serving a one-match suspension.

Suz Mattson played well and lady Luck did not desert him for he was saved twice by the woodwork.

For Gully Denys also had a good day.

and to their credit Cross also grazed the ball.

Both sets of defences took a while to settle and both goals were threatened early on.

Denys saved two shots in quick succession — the second from point blank range by Thom — in the first minute, while at the other end David Perkin tried to stop Hooper's back pass but slipped as he crossed and the danger evaporated.

Perkin is a prominent player throughout the match — was the first to hit the cross bar. His effort came direct from a corner kick into the 98th minute. The ball rebounded out and was clambered to by Denys.

But Gully came even closer in the 7th minute when Joe Pavlekovic shot from 30 metres past Mattson.

The Gully players claimed the ball had gone over the line, and most observers would tend to agree, but the linesman would have none of the argument and waved play on.

Cross retaliated with a move involving Bernard and Wilson which finished with the latter making the vital cross to Mattson.

After 28 minutes it was Gully's turn to swing a cross into the area and this time Paparas headed over from an ideal position in the six yard box.

After the restart Denys made saves off Wilson and Bernard before Gully took the upper hand.

Pavlekovic hit the cross bar with his half volley from Carr's cross, while Vojetz and Carr brought saves off Mattson.

George Cross contribution to the general drama came 18 minutes from the end when a Jim Paparas shot beat Denys but shaved the outside of the cross bar.

Cross scored their goal after 78 minutes when Barnard planted the ball with the rest of the firm header from Hooper's cross.

But their joy was short lived as Carr levelled the score three minutes later.

Before the end Denys made a great save, touching Wilson's plider over the line.

Gully have now taken seven points and are still unbeaten. If they could maintain the same form at home they'd be challenging the leaders by now.

— PETER DESIRA

— VICTORIAN STATE LEAGUE ROUND UP with Kyle Patterson

Croatia re-signs star

Croatia and a settlement agreed 10.

Gardiner is a former coach of Essendon Croatia, and has cost the club in the region of \$12,000 in transfer fees.

He moved from George Cross to Essendon for \$5,000 in 1976, and later rejoined the club from Son of Melbourne for around \$7,000.

Gardiner has been taken off the transfer list, and Croatia will now exercise its option of extending his contract," said Essendon manager Frank Bunn. "Hopefully, the problems of the past will be forgotten."

During the Ampol Cup, Makdonald offered \$4,000 plus striker Gardiner, a midfielder/defender, is currently in the Victorian team.

HAKOAH 1 JUVENTUS 2

Scorers: Juventus - Sabidussi (2) 45th, 85th Hakoah - Loh 61st. **Ground:** Middle Park.

HAKOAH ST. KILDA: O'Hanrahan, Dosen, Baker, Rakovalic - Gadsby, Blair, Gibson, Rooney, Carpenter (Micic, Loh).

JUVENTUS: Reilly - Sabidussi, Della, Vaughan, Tarquinio - Smith, C. Luchesse, Sabidussi - McGuinness, Gillan, Heery.

After pestering the club, striker George Gillan finally got the all-clear from Juventus to make a comeback against Hakoah.

Gillan who fractured his skull six weeks ago, resumed playing after a quick recovery. But Juventus was not so sure Gillan was ready, and to safeguard the club's

Paul Hallam or \$5,000 cash for Gardiner.

Later a swap deal involving John Bernard and Gardiner was proposed by Makdonald, but rejected by Croatia.

Juventus made an offer in the region of \$3,500, but couldn't come to agreement with Gardiner over terms.

Springvale City of the First Division bid around \$4,000, but again Gardiner didn't come to agreement over terms.

Croydon City was reported to have suggested a straight swap involving Pat Lowrey in exchange for Gardiner.

Gardiner, a midfielder/defender, is currently in the Victorian team.

Sabidussi which clinched two points. Sabidussi worked his way into good positions to capitalise on two crosses. Full back Nick Rakovalic is at fault for failing to pick up the Juve player.

Michael Loh scored for Hakoah in the 60th minute, equalising the scores but Sabidussi got a winner in the last five minutes.

Hakoah was forced to switch Steve Gadsby to midfield, and draft in David Baker to sweater. Edmondson left the field after three minutes, and was replaced by Les Owens.

The changes upset Hakoah, and while the St Kilda club had plenty of the ball, it couldn't turn good play into goals.

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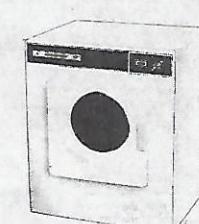
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GARDINER BACK TO THE HELM

CROATIA 1
MAKEDONIA 2

Scorers: Makedonia - Ward
9th, Cullen 13th, Croatia -
Gilder 41st.
Ground: Olympic Park No 2.
Croatia: East 5000.

Weather: Overcast and
windy.

Referee: Marek Momont 6.
Cautions: Rainey (M);
Murphy (C), Bilaver (C), Cullen
(M).

ESSENDON CROATIA:
Blasby 5 - Smart 5 (Paleka
68th min), Short 5, Kokoska 5,
Bilaver 4 - Adams 5 (Gardiner
6, 54th min), Andrews 6, 55,
Murphy 6 - Cumming 5, 55,
Gilder 6, 5, Cullen 7, 7.

PRESENT MAKEDONIA:
Clayton 7 - Rainey 5, 5 Gar-
thwaite 6, 5 Higham 6, Beach
6 - Flavel 6, Lesbirel 6, Pet-
rovski 8 - Cullen 7, McMillan
6, Ward 6, 5.

John Gardiner is likely to return
to his domain as the general of
Essendon Croatia after the team's
disastrous performance against
arch rival Preston Makedonia.

Craig Coach Edgley hinted that
he would bring Gardiner back into
the Croatia team as sweeper and
switch Steve Short to midfield.

Gardiner, who last week
settled his differences with
Croatia (see separate story), was
the sweeper and leader of the
triumphant 1978 Croatia team
which won three trophies.

After its performance against
Makedonia, Croatia will need
more than the inclusion of Gar-
diner to retain the State League
championship. The Essendon team
had many players down on form and
by the club's standards the display was woeful.

Brian Cullen is the only Es-
sendon player who can hold his
head high.

Croatia is now five points
behind leader Frankston City, and
will have to go flat out to bridge
that gap.

Preston Makedonia recovered
its lost pride with the victory, but
is in the same boat as Croatia, as
it trails Frankston by five points.

Although the game was a very
average event, Makedonia
showed character to bounce back
after a demoralising defeat last
week to stay in contention for the
championship.

Makedonia's star was Ljubo
Petrovski, who had a fine game in
midfield. It's ironic that Petrovski
wouldn't have played if Jeff Faulk-
ner was fit, but now long-striding
linkman has staked a claim for a
permanent place.

As expected, strikers Gary
Ward and Robert Cullen were
Preston's strength. The fact these
two scored that important goals
backs up that statement.

The two players were able to
exploit weaknesses in the Croatia
full backs Grant Smart and Ante
Blagov.

Credit must go to George
McMillan, who took the field after
having pain-killing injections in his
knee. The dynamic striker's pres-
ence was enough to worry Croatia
and although McMillan contributed
not a great deal the physi-
ological advantage to Preston
was great.

McMillan at least occupied an
opponent throughout the game, and
was a constant worry to Croatia.

The crowd of 5000 was well
behaved, but subdued because of
the lack of action on the field.
After the first 15 minutes when
Makedonia scored two goals, the
game was a poor spectacle.

CROYDON 3 SUNSHINE 1

Scorers: Croydon - McKin-
lay 40th, Trent 63rd, Spink
83rd. Sunshine - R. Nelson
89th.

Ground: Croydon Park.
CROYDON CITY: Edwards -
Spin, McCombe, Pongho,
Hobson - Trent, Smith -
McKinlay, Brogan, Hamilton,
Wylie.

SUNSHINE CITY: Clarke -
Dixey, Lowe, Morovic (Pais-
ley), Howe - Coyle, R. Nel-
son, McRobert - Laing (Mus-
ter half time), Gilmour, D. Nel-
son.

Croydon City coach Norm
Hobson has been rewarded for
being patient. Croydon has now
gone four games without defeat
with virtually the same players
and formation that didn't bring
results at the start of the season.

The defence of Jimmy Spink,
Steve McCombe, Alan Pongho
and Gary Hobson is now playing
confidently after being the cause
of so much trouble earlier in the
season. These four players have
been together for a dozen games,
and have been off the mark.

Hobson's only significant move
was to push an extra man into the
forward line. That was Dave Brogan,
who went to central striker
from midfield.

Croydon's men are playing with
enthusiasm again, with the ex-
ception of Pat Lowrey, who was

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P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	
Beckenbauer	8	6	2	0	20	16	Albion Park	8	8	0	0	47	2	16
Kingswood	8	7	1	2	27	6	Kingswood	8	7	0	1	16	5	14
Helenburgh	8	5	1	2	17	10	Berkley	8	6	1	2	36	19	13
Shelburne	8	5	1	2	22	15	Hawthorn	8	4	1	3	18	28	9
Therrell	8	4	1	3	19	6	Fife	8	3	1	4	15	27	7
Fernhill	8	3	2	3	21	26	Fife	8	3	1	4	16	34	6
Wests	8	3	2	3	21	26	Fife	8	3	0	5	16	31	6
Belgrave	8	1	2	5	5	15	Wests	8	2	1	5	13	35	6
Fitzroy	8	1	1	6	8	20	3	3	1	6	3	3	3	
Carlton	8	1	1	6	8	38	3	3	1	6	3	3	3	

U12/2ND		U12/3RD													
P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P		
Olympic	8	6	2	2	22	11	12	U12/3RD	8	8	0	0	37	1	15
Therrell	8	5	2	1	21	10	12	U12/3RD	8	6	0	1	47	4	14
Russell Vale	8	5	2	1	21	16	12	U12/3RD	8	6	0	2	16	15	12
Tarrawarra	8	4	3	1	21	5	11	U12/3RD	8	5	0	3	8	29	10
Rockdale	8	4	2	1	20	12	10	U12/3RD	8	4	0	4	9	19	8
Crofton	8	3	1	4	18	12	7	U12/3RD	8	4	0	4	15	31	7
Weslands	8	3	0	5	13	23	6	U12/3RD	8	3	0	5	8	21	5
Helenburgh	8	1	1	6	8	35	3	U12/3RD	8	2	0	6	2	31	4

U13/2ND		U13/3RD													
P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P		
Wests	6	1	1	2	25	10	13	U13/3RD	8	6	0	2	36	3	15
Belgrave	8	1	1	5	9	13	7	U13/3RD	8	6	0	2	15	6	12
Helenburgh	8	5	1	2	22	15	11	U13/3RD	8	4	1	3	17	14	9
Therrell	8	4	3	1	13	13	11	U13/3RD	8	2	4	2	12	6	8
Tarrawarra	8	3	2	3	23	11	7	U13/3RD	8	3	1	4	5	37	7
Fitzroy	8	5	1	2	23	12	11	U13/3RD	8	3	0	5	4	16	6
Carlton	8	3	1	4	12	17	7	U13/3RD	8	2	4	2	5	19	5
Fernhill	8	2	2	4	11	17	7	U13/3RD	8	1	0	7	2	25	2
Helenburgh	8	2	1	5	9	17	5	U13/3RD	8	2	0	6	2	36	4

U14/2ND		U14/3RD													
P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P		
Franklin	8	6	2	2	22	11	12	U14/3RD	8	6	0	0	37	1	15
Helenburgh	8	6	1	2	21	10	12	U14/3RD	8	6	0	1	47	4	14
Russell Vale	8	5	2	1	21	16	12	U14/3RD	8	6	0	2	16	15	12
Tarrawarra	8	4	3	1	21	5	11	U14/3RD	8	5	0	4	9	19	8
Rockdale	8	4	2	1	20	12	10	U14/3RD	8	4	0	4	15	31	7
Crofton	8	3	1	4	18	12	7	U14/3RD	8	3	0	5	8	21	5
Weslands	8	3	0	5	13	23	6	U14/3RD	8	3	0	5	8	20	3
Carlton	8	2	1	6	8	35	3	U14/3RD	8	2	0	6	2	36	4
Fernhill	8	1	1	6	8	35	3	U14/3RD	8	2	0	6	2	36	4

U15/2ND		U15/3RD													
P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P		
Wests	8	8	0	0	20	3	16	U15/3RD	8	6	0	0	22	8	14
Belgrave	8	7	1	2	21	12	11	U15/3RD	8	6	0	1	22	8	14
Carlton	8	6	1	2	25	12	11	U15/3RD	8	6	0	2	25	5	11
Helenburgh	8	5	1	2	22	15	11	U15/3RD	8	5	0	3	6	14	6
Therrell	8	4	3	1	19	16	11	U15/3RD	8	4	0	4	15	31	7
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Carlton	8	1	0	1	11	11	11	U15/3RD	8	1	0	7	9	35	2

U16/2ND		U16/3RD													
P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P		
Franklin	8	8	0	0	47	4	16	U16/3RD	8	8	0	0	37	1	15
Helenburgh	8	7	1	0	34	2	15	U16/3RD	8	6	0	1	22	8	14
Shelburne	8	6	1	1	21	14	13	U16/3RD	8	6	0	2	22	8	14
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Franklin	8	8	0	0	47	4	16	U17/3RD	8	8	0	0	37	1	15
Helenburgh	8	7	1	0	35	3	15	U17/3RD	8	6	0	1	22	8	14
Shelburne	8	6	1	1	21	14	13	U17/3RD	8	5	0	2	22	8	14
Therrell	8	5	2	1	20	12	11	U17/3RD	8	4	0	3	15	31	7
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Carlton	8	3	1	1	19	16	11	U17/3RD	8	2	0	6	14	31	7
Weslands	8	2	1	1	19	16	11	U17/3RD	8	2	0	6	14	31	7
Carlton	8	1	0	1	19	16	11	U17/3RD	8	1	0	7	9	35	2

U18/2ND		U18/3RD													
P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P		
Franklin	8	8	0	0	47	4	16	U18/3RD	8	8	0	0	37	1	15
Helenburgh	8	7	1	0	35	3	15	U18/3RD	8	6	0	1	22	8	14
Shelburne	8	6	1	1	21	14	13	U18/3RD	8	5	0	2	22		

WELCOME PARTIZAN

DOBRODOSLI CRNO-BELI!

Visestruki jugoslovenski privak PARTIZAN stiže u Melburn ovog petka u svom najboljem sastavu, kako su došli do finala Juge Kupa. "Uzimajući u obzir i pozivajući našu kružu od svog ostanja, Partizan su se za opstanak do zadnjeg kola, iako su imali igre sa daleko većim dometom, ipak uspeli su da se odreže u naj-

boljem društvu izvanrednom igrom protiv Budućnosti, koji su pobedili sa 4:2. Najznačajniji za ovu veliku pobedu bio je Slobodan Šarić, napred učinio je i predstavio svetu domaćinu. Postigao 3 gola, a na listi strelaca ovog dana prvenstva je sauzeo treće mesto sa 14 zgodača. Iako je bio dugo ostanut zboleli i povređen, na poslednjoj tri utakmice Slobodan Šarić je bio naboljih.

Tommy Burns Cup Final: RINGWOOD CITY (Greaser 2, 2nd, 3rd) - MARIBYRONG 75th, Carnaby 33rd - WESTERN SUBURBS 1 (Christodoulas 9th).

RINGWOOD: Christian - Pasman, Luton, Gerasimov, Vassilis, O'Callaghan, Mihal, Antoniou, Galloton (Carnaby), Greener.

WESTS: Mitandis - Daparis, Jaworski, Glykakalos, Vassilis, Tsiakas, Caprili, Moore, Parkinson, Theocharidis, Christodoulas, Karapatas (Tsanoudis kis).

RINGWOOD CITY: shocked First Division under Western Suburbs with a dynamic display, to carry off the inaugural Tommy Burns Memorial Cup.

Striker Ian Greener led Ringwood victory with a brace, while goalkeeping upset. Striker Ian Greener, team leader was playing without player/coach Ray Pocock, and had no answer to Ringwood's surge.

Pocock was injured in Saturday's league game against Box Hill, and didn't recover in time for the Queens Birthday cup final.

Greener scored for Ringwood in the second minute of the game, but seven minutes later Christodoulas levelled the scores.

Greener was on target again in the 30th minute, and Wests struggled from that point on. Further goals from John O'Callaghan and Brian Carnaby sealed the win.

Carnaby was on the transfer list at Ringwood.

Best players were O'Callaghan, Greener (Ringwood), Mike Glykakalos, Andy Caprili and Bernie Parker (Western).

A Metropolitan XI defeated the Victorian youth team 3:1 in the curtain raiser.

FIRST DIVISION

SPRINGVALE 2 (Beard 49th Min; Fowler 81st min), MARIBYRONG 3 (Sakelis 24th min; Crivori 60th min; Gordan 67th min).

SPRINGVALE - Mur, Wessels (Gordon 75th min), Crivori, Beard, McLean, Luton, Lawyer, Crivori, Fowler, Beant (Barry 45th min), Campbell, MARIBYRONG - Dzialekow, Sweda, J. Dimitriou, Herman, Gawkil, P. Czappnik, Kater, Horfinak, Sakulski, Pichner, Lekic (Esposito 65th min).

WESTERN SUBURBS 3 (Christodoulas, Moore, Theocharidis) BOX HILL

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FRANKSTON HITS BACK

Frankston City coach Freddie Buncic has accused Preston's Tony Vrzina of "sour grapes" after Vrzina blasted Frankston in last week's issue of "Soccer Action".

Frankston coach Tony Buncic had to search and defend his tactic to beat Preston Makedonia and that the style of play would drive crowds away from State League games.

Vrzina also said referees were at fault for allowing such rough play to go un-noticed.

Angered by Vrzina's comments, Buncic charged that Vrzina was making excuses for the defeat.

There was absolutely no violent play," said Bruce, "and the referee (Mc-

Frankston players - Alan Parrett and

Fernell, a good job handling the game I resent," Mr. Vrzina for implying that Frankston is a team of clingers. Maybe in previous years the team had a reputation of being another Mooroolbark, but certainly not this present team.

It's time for Frankston to defend

its honour and its fans to

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This week's match: v **SYDNEY CITY** at Olympic Sportsfield (Adelaide) Sunday 2.30 pm



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15 DELPHINUS ST., INALA, QLD. 4077

SECRETARY: S. Boegheim (07) 377 2891

COACH: E. Spearritt.

GROUND: Perry Park, Abbotsford Rd., Mayne. (07) 52 5328.

COLOURS: All Orange with Blue Stripe.

This week's match: v **MARCONI** at Perry Park (Brisbane) Sunday 3 pm



BRISBANE CITY

P. O. Box 265 Broadway, Brisbane 4001

Club phone: 356 8834

SECRETARY: G. Canale bus (07) 52 4711.

COACH: N. Saftich.

GROUND: Perry Park, Abbotsford Rd., Mayne.

SPONSOR: Montrose Wines & Spirits Pty. Limited
Retail Cellar Sales, 398 Montague Rd.
West End Brisbane. Phone 44 7320.

This week's match: v **A.P.I.A. LEICHARDT** at Wentworth Park (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm



CANBERRA CITY

P.O. Box 910, Canberra City 2600

SECRETARY: Max Talbot (W) 48 8917 (A.H.) 88 5078.

COACH: V. Fernandez

GROUND: National Athletic Stadium, Bruce

SPONSOR:

BRIAN POLLOCK 



This week's match: v **ST GEORGE** at National Athletic Stadium (Canberra) Sunday 3 pm

HEIDELBERG UNITED

P.O. BOX 8, COLLINGWOOD, 3066

SECRETARY: A. Loustas 419 2588.

COACH: M. Poulikakis

GROUND: Olympic Park, Swan St., Melb. (03) 42 0642.

COLOURS: Black & Gold.

* GIRLS WHO WISH TO TAKE PART IN MISS ALEXANDER QUEST SHOULD CONTACT THE SECRETARY.



NO MATCH THIS WEEK

FOOTSCRAY

SPONSOR:





P.O. BOX 122, ST KILDA SOUTH, 3182

SECRETARY: H. Iser bus (03) 391 3231

COACH: B. McLachlan

GROUND: Olympic Park, Swan St., Melb (03) 42 0642

COLOURS: Blue White Red.

NO MATCH THIS WEEK

MARCONI

MARCONI ROAD, BOSSLEY PARK, N.S.W. 2176

SECRETARY: L. Sartoretto (02) 604 5222.

COACH: L. Scheinflug.

GROUND: Marconi Oval, Marconi Rd., Bossley Park.



This week's match: v **BRISBANE LIONS** at Perry Park (Brisbane) Sunday 3 pm

ST. GEORGE

84 VICTORIA AVENUE, MORTDALE, N.S.W.

GENERAL MANAGER: L. Bordacs (02) 269 2745.

COACH: R. Blanco

GROUND: St George Stadium, Rockdale

COLOURS: White, Red & Green.



This week's match: v **CANBERRA CITY** at National Athletic Stadium (Canberra) Sunday 3 pm

SYDNEY OLYMPIC

BOX A181 SYDNEY SOUTH, N.S.W., 2000

SECRETARY: N Smilas (Bus) (02) 72 0661.

COACH: J. Marston.

GROUND: Pratten Park, Ashfield.

SPONSOR: 



This week's match: v **SOUTH MELBOURNE** at Pratten Park (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm

WEST ADELAIDE

G.P.O. BOX 1130, ADELAIDE S.A., 5001



SECRETARY: D. A. Carapetis, Bus. (08) 227 4311.

COACH: T. Forde.

GROUND: Hindmarsh Stadium, Manton St., Hindmarsh.

This week's match: v **NEWCASTLE KB UNITED** at International Sports Centre (Newcastle) Saturday 2.30 pm

A.P.I.A. LEICHARDT

38-42 FRAZER ST., LEICHARDT 4040.

SECRETARY: H. Ambrose (02) 516 1688

COACH: R. Richards

GROUND: Wentworth Park, Glebe. Phone (02) 660 7431.

COLOURS: Burgundy & Sky Blue.

This week's match: v **BRISBANE CITY** at Wentworth Park (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm



SYDNEY CITY

61 HALL ST., BONDI, NSW.

SECRETARY: H. K. Lakmaker (02) 30 3344 (Mornings).

663 4576 (Afternoons).

COACH: G. Chaidi.

GROUND: Wentworth Park Glebe, NSW

Phone (02) 660 7431.

SPONSOR:  and City Ford.



This week's match: v **ADELAIDE CITY** at Olympic Sportsfield (Adelaide) Sunday 2.30 pm